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**DECLARATION
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**The CCO officially signs the Montreal Declaration
on Evaluation and Social Impact Measurement**

Ottawa - April 17, 2019 – The Conseil de la coopération de l'Ontario (CCO) is proud to announce it has officially signed the Montreal Declaration on Evaluation and Social Impact Measurement. The CCO was present at the unveiling of the Declaration that was made at the International Forum on Evaluation and Social Impact Measurement. The event was held at the Heart of Sciences Building at the Université du Québec à Montréal on Tuesday, April 9, 2019. The event brought together more than 170 stakeholders from the social economy sectors in Canada, France and Belgium.

This official statement, a collaboration effort between Territoires innovants en économie sociale et solidaire (TIÉSS), the Chantier de l'économie sociale, the Conseil québécois de la coopération et de la mutualité (CQCM), the Comité sectoriel de main-d'œuvre de l'économie sociale et de l'action communautaire (CSMO-ESAC), the Collectif des entreprises d'insertion du Québec (CEIQ) as well as the Conseil québécois du loisir (CQL), aimed at promoting four complementary goals :

- take a stand on the issues and opportunities that evaluation and social impact measurement represent for the social economy sector;
- highlight the drifts that the field of evaluation faces;
- set certain guidelines under which the signatories commit to work;
- facilitate vision convergence.

With a mindset to continuous learning and inter-provincial collaboration, the CCO is pleased to be able to join the declaration. Julien Geremie, executive director, had these few words to say:

"We are immensely proud to join a collective that clearly and accurately displays the relevance of assessing and measuring social impact in today's world. At a time when it is more important than ever to strengthen the foundations of the social economy sector in Canada, this statement is timely."

For entrepreneurs and interested organizations, the CCO can offer you its evaluation and social impact measurement services for all



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To read the full statement, you can visit the TIESS website at: <http://www.tiess.ca/declaration/>.

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About the Conseil de la coopération de l'Ontario:

The Conseil de la coopération de l'Ontario is the organization of choice for education, promotion, collaboration and advisory services to ensure the sustainable development of French-language and Bilingual cooperatives and social enterprises in Ontario. The CCO has offices in Ottawa, Toronto, Sudbury, Windsor and Temiskaming Shores.

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